

Keep OUT of Blue Cart

Things that **tangle** sorting equipment and shut down the recycling plant for hours each day:

- NO**
- Plastic bags!!!
 - Garden hoses, strings of holiday lights

Things that are **too small** that fall through sorting screens, so they end up in the trash:

- NO**
- Nip bottles, prescription bottles
 - Loose bottle caps
 - Shredded paper

Things that are **too big** that jam the sorting equipment and require staff removal:

- NO**
- 5 gallon buckets, laundry baskets
 - Toys of any kind

Things that are **dangerous or toxic**:

- NO**
- Needles / sharps
 - Chemical containers, even if empty

Things we have **no way to recycle**:

- NO**
- Black plastic of any kind
 - Styrofoam ® or hot cups
 - Drink cup lids or straws
 - Ice cream containers, paper cups

Things you recycle another way:

Not in Blue Cart

- Scrap metal that's not a can
- Electronics
- Paint, motor oil, or antifreeze
- Plastic bags and WRAP items
- Textiles & clothing
- Leaves



Ways to Get More Info

RecycleCT.com

Can I Recycle It?

OR

East Hartford Waste Services
www.easthartfordct.gov/waste-services



OR

860-291-7374

East Hartford Public Works Office
61 Ecology Drive
East Hartford, CT 06108



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Town of East Hartford

What goes IN Blue Cart

Place all items loose in cart. Never use plastic bags!

Plastic & Glass Containers

- Plastic bottles/ jugs/jars (plastic caps on)
- Plastic tubs & lids, yogurt, deli & food storage containers
- Plastic one-use cold drink cups (no lids, no straws)
- Plastic berry/cherry tomato containers
- Clear plastic salad or take-out containers, (clean, no foam)
- Redeemable bottles (or return for deposit!)
- Glass food & beverage bottles & jars

Paper & Cardboard

- Soup/broth & milk/juice cartons (caps on)
- Juice boxes (no straws)
- Newspaper
- Magazines, catalogs, phone books
- Envelopes, mail, & clean paper
- Greeting cards (no foil, no glitter)
- Corrugated cardboard (flattened)
- Cereal/pasta/cracker boxes (flattened)
- Pizza boxes (liner & crusts go in trash)
- Paper egg cartons (foam cartons trash)
- Books (or donate!)
- Paper bags
- Tubes from paper towels, etc.

Metal Containers

- Cans (people and pet food)
- Aerosol cans (empty, food grade only)
- Aluminum foil (no food, clean)
- Foil containers (no food, clean)
- Metal lids from cans/bottles/jars, (small OK)
- Redeemable beverage cans (or return for deposit!)

How to Prepare Items:

- Empty
- Clean
- Containers rinsed
- Boxes flattened



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